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**2.1.1 FDNY MEMORIAL SERVICES AND CEREMONIES COMMEMORATING
THE 18TH ANNIVERSARY OF WTC ATTACKS**

The FDNY will host or participate in a number of commemorative ceremonies to honor the 343 members lost by the Department on September 11, 2001.

At the National September 11th Memorial Plaza at the WTC Site:

On Wednesday, September 11, 2019, the City will commemorate the 18th anniversary of the attacks on the World Trade Center. The observance will take place at the National September 11th Memorial Plaza at the WTC Site at Liberty Street and Trinity Place on the morning of September 11th.

Family members of the victims who perished in 2001 at the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, and on Flight 93, as well as the six victims of the 1993 WTC bombing, have been invited to participate in this year's reading of the names.

The ceremony will observe six moments of silence:

- 0846 hours:** In observance of the time the first plane struck the North Tower. Houses of worship throughout the City will be encouraged to toll their bells at this time.
- 0903 hours:** In observance of the time the second plane struck the South Tower.
- 0937 hours:** In observance of the time Flight 77 struck the Pentagon.
- 0959 hours:** In observance of the time of the fall of the South Tower.
- 1003 hours:** In observance of the time Flight 93 crashed near Shanksville, PA.
- 1028 hours:** In observance of the time of the fall of the North Tower.

On September 11th, the Officer on Duty shall cause the National Flag to be displayed at half-staff on company quarters. This mark of respect shall continue until sunset.

At sundown, the "Tribute of Light" will return as a tribute to the memory of those lost. This poignant symbol will carry us through the night and into the next day.

At Field Locations:

On September 11th, as a mark of respect to those members of the Department who made the Supreme Sacrifice on September 11, 2001, all Firehouses and EMS Stations shall affect the following:

1. A few minutes before 0846 hours, Department Apparatus (where applicable) shall be pulled onto the apron of quarters.
2. At 0845 hours, the Company officer may read the Remembrance a few moments before the 0846 hours moment of silence, before placing apparatus back in quarters.
3. Companies shall observe additional moments of silence at 0903, 0937, 0959, 1003 and 1028 hours.
4. All FDNY family members are invited to attend the firehouse ceremony.

At Fire Headquarters:

1. At 0845 hours, the Remembrance shall be read over the public address system a few moments before the 0846 hours moment of silence.
2. Building personnel shall observe additional moments of silence at 0903, 0937, 0959, 1003 and 1028 hours.

At Tribute Wall:

On September 11th, from 0800 hours to dusk, an Honor Guard will be stationed at the Tribute Wall located on the outer wall of Engine 10 / Ladder 10. All members and their families are invited to attend.

At Firemen's Monument:

On September 11th, at 0930 hours, members of Battalion 18 will host the annual Memorial Services at the Firemen's Monument on Riverside Drive and 100th Street (Upper West Side of Manhattan). All members and their families are invited to attend. A Mass at St. John the Divine will follow at 1215 hours.

At EMS Bureau of Training:

On September 11th, at 0830 hours, the EMS Academy will host its annual September 11th Memorial Service in front of the EMS Academy at Fort Totten, Building 325. All members and their families, as well as members of other city services and the military are invited to attend.

Other September 11th Related Ceremonies:

On September 11th, at 1800 hours, the Office of the Staten Island Borough President will host a Memorial Service at the Staten Island September 11th Memorial located adjacent to the Staten Island Ferry Terminal. All members and their families are invited to attend.

Remembrance

To be read by the Company Officer a few moments before the 0846 hours Moment of Silence on September 11th.

Today, we remember the bravery of the 343 members of this great Department, who made the Supreme Sacrifice eighteen years ago today, so that others could be saved.

Eighteen years ago today, members gathered in their firehouses and EMS Stations to begin another day of service to the people of this city not knowing what the day would bring. This can be said about every day in the life of career First Responders.

On September 11, 2001, the Department lost not simply 343 Members, but we lost One Member 343 times. Today, we come together to remember each of these individuals. We also come as a Fire Department Family to give strength and support to each other.

We continue to honor the memory of our 343 fallen members and their contribution to the Department, the City, and the country. We Will Never Forget.

Let us bow our heads for a moment of silence.

By Order of: **Daniel A. Nigro**, *Fire Commissioner*
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